

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration based on the above amendments and following remarks. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

Claims 14-18 and 24-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by Peltonen. This rejection is traversed for the following reasons.

Claim 14 recites "the audio message management unit recording the audio message in a personal storage area associated with the authenticated user." Peltonen teaches sending a request via a mobile telephone of a first user to a voice mailbox of a second user (target subscriber). Peltonen does not disclose that a user records an audio message in a personal storage area, as recited in claim 14. Peltonen refers to a "desired subscriber's voice mail facility" (column 4, lines 58-60) and an "offering subscriber's mobile phone number" (column 4, lines 16-21). Peltonen is not concerned with allowing a user access to a personal storage area and then allow that user to record or retrieve such audio data in his or her personal storage area.

Furthermore, Peltonen's Abstract states, "contact information is created by modifying a telephone number sent with the request (e.g., the called subscriber's normal telephone number) into a second telephone number (e.g. the called subscriber's voice mail number)." In other words, the "called subscriber's" number is a second user's telephone number, which is also modified in a second number that acts as a code. This is inconsistent with claim 14 that recites, "the audio message management unit recording the audio message in a personal storage area associated with the authenticated user."

For at least the above reasons, claim 14 is patentable over Peltonen. Claims 15-18, 24 and 25 variously depend from claim 14 and are patentable over Peltonen for at least the reasons advanced with reference to claim 14.

New claim 26 indicates that the user accesses the personal storage area without receiving a greeting. In Peltonen, the user accesses a voice mail system 32A, which typically includes a greeting.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, Applicant submits that the above-identified application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

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